

**KENTUCKY BOARD OF NURSING
SUMMARY OF MAJOR ACTIONS
Regular Board Meeting
February 24 and 25, 2005**

CANADIAN REGISTERED NURSE EXAMINATION AND CANADIAN PRACTICAL NURSE EXAMINATION

Directed that 201 KAR 20:480 be amended to delete Section 2(4) to no longer recognize the Canadian nurse licensure examinations to meet licensure requirements in Kentucky.

PRACTICAL NURSING PROGRAM, SPENCERIAN COLLEGE, LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

Directed that the Spencerian College Practical Nursing Program be continued on conditional approval; that the Education Consultant make quarterly survey visits, and submit reports to the Education Committee.

NURSE LICENSURE COMPACT (NLC) PROJECT

Received a report on NLC project progress to date.

CONTINUING COMPETENCY REQUIREMENTS

Directed that 201 KAR 20:215 Continuing competency requirements be implemented as currently in effect.

NURSING EDUCATION

Approved the recommendations as stated in the January 6, 2005 Survey Visit Report for the proposed Practical Nursing Program, Brown-Mackie College, Fort Mitchell.

Directed that the Practical Nursing Program, Brown-Mackie College, Fort Mitchell, submit a progress report documenting the implementation of the program proposal within three (3) months of entrance of the first class.

Granted the Practical Nursing Program, Brown-Mackie College, Fort Mitchell, developmental approval status.

STAFF WORKSHOP

Approved closing the office for staff to attend an off-site workshop planned for May 19, 2005.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE

Directed the Executive Director Search Committee to invite the top candidate of those interviewed to the April 2005 Board Meeting for interview by the full Board.

NURSING PRACTICE

Approved the letter of response to the opinion request of June 23, 2004 from Leigh Ann Bowe-Geddes, RN, Louisville, on midclavicular catheters.

Approved the letter of response to the opinion request of December 10, 2004 from Sarah Roberts, RN, Pulaski County, on emergency injection of Solu-Cortef (hydrocortisone sodium succinate) by unlicensed personnel in schools.

NURSING PRACTICE (Cont'd)

Approved that the following Advisory Opinion Statements (AOS) be removed from current publication and archived as these documents address practice matters that have been incorporated into the common practice of nursing:

- #01 Role of the Registered Nurse/Licensed Practical Nurse in Spinal Screening for Detection of Common Abnormal Curvatures of the Spine
- #02 Role of the Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner, Registered Nurse, and Licensed Practical Nurse in Gynecological Cancer Detection
- #06 The Performance of Arterial Puncture by Registered Nurses
- #07 Roles of Nurses in Superficial Wound Closure

Approved the following proposed revisions to the Advisory Opinion Statements:

- #04 Roles of Registered Nurses and Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioners in the Administration of Medication Per Intraspinal Routes
- #05 The Performance of Advanced Life Support Procedures by Nurses
- #08 Role of the Registered Nurse First Assistant
- #09 The Performance of Wound Debridement by Nurses
- #10 Roles of Nurses in the Care of Intrapartum Patients
- #11 Roles of Nurses in the Insertion and Removal of a Nasogastric Tube and in the Reinsertion of a Gastrostomy Tube
- #13 Roles of Nurses in Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing Practice
- #14 Roles of Nurses in the Implementation of Patient Care Orders
- #16 Roles of Nurses in the Administration of Medication Via Various Routes
- #17 Roles of Nurses in the Administration of "PRN" Medication and Placebos
- #18 Employment of Nursing Students as Nursing Personnel Using Either an Academic or a "Nurse Extern" Service Model
- #19 Responsibility and Accountability of Nurses for Patient Care Assignments and Nursing Care Delivery
- #20 Roles of Registered Nurses in Invasive Cardiac Procedures
- #21 Roles of Nurses and Technicians in Dialysis
- #22 Roles of Nurses Who Provide "Private Duty" Nursing
- #23 The Application and Removal of a Cast by Nurses and Closed Reduction of a Fracture by ARNPs
- #25 Peripheral Insertion of Central and Midline Intravenous Catheters by Nurses

NURSING PRACTICE (Cont'd)

- #26 Roles of Nurses in the Delivery of Prehospital Emergency Medical Care Via Ambulance Services
- #27 Components of Licensed Practical Nursing Practice
- #28 Roles of Nurses and Unlicensed Nursing Personnel in Endoscopic Procedures
- #29 Cardiopulmonary/Respiratory Nursing Practice
- #30 School Nursing Practice
- #31 Removal of Femoral Access Devices (Sheaths) and Use of Mechanical Compression Devices by Nurses
- #33 Roles of Nurses in the Delegation of Tasks to Paramedics in a Hospital Emergency Department

Approved that the "Advisory Opinion Statements 1983 – 2004 Summary.

CONSUMER PROTECTION COMMITTEE

Approved the 2004-2005 Scope and Function Statement for the Consumer Protection Committee.

Approved the 2004-2005 Consumer Protection Committee objectives.

Directed that the staff proceed with the process of sending notice of complaint letters to licensees or applicants.

Directed staff to not routinely request letters of recommendation for nurses who are requesting reinstatement of a previously disciplined license through a hearing process.

Directed that staff member Patricia Smith make a presentation to the full Board on Generational Issues and how they affect the disciplinary process.

Approved the Guidelines for Disposition of Cases by Staff per Direction of Credentials Review Panel.

Directed that a copy of the Guidelines for Disciplinary Action be made available at the time of a hearing to Board members who will be serving as Hearing Panel members.

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

Approved three (3) Proposed Decisions, and received reports on the approval of seventeen (17) Agreed Orders, three (3) Consent Decrees, and one (1) Removal of License from Probation.

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